

HAYWARD EXECUTIVE AIRPORT FAST FACTS

Hayward Executive Airport has a proud past and a bright future as the premier general aviation airport in the San Francisco Bay area. Development of the airport includes the following milestones:

- The airport was constructed and operated by the U.S. Army in 1942 as Hayward Army Airfield. It was used as a base for fighter aircraft during WWII, including the legendary P-51 Mustang.
- The City of Hayward assumed operational control of the airport in 1947 and it was renamed Hayward Municipal Airport.
- Hayward Executive Airport plays a vital role in today's regional transportation system. By providing a place for small general aviation aircraft, the airport enhances safety and capacity at the Bay Area's three large commercial airports.
- The airport is 543 acres in size and home to approximately 450 aircraft, from small single-engine airplanes to sophisticated corporate jets.
- The airport had over 84,000 aircraft takeoffs and landings in 2010, more traffic than recorded at some commercial airports in California such as Palm Springs and Monterey.
- The results of an economic study conducted by Coffman Associates in 1999 indicate the airport provides over 300 jobs and makes a \$300 million annual contribution to Hayward and the East Bay.
- The airport operates as an Enterprise Fund and is financially self-sufficient.
- Ninety-five percent of the cost of most major capital improvement projects, such as the construction of taxiways and aircraft parking aprons, is reimbursed by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).
- Small businesses at the airport provide services for the general public, including on demand aircraft charter, sightseeing rides and flight training. In addition, over 1 million pounds of documents and small packages moved through the airport in 2010.
- The airport accommodates emergency air ambulance flights, and local small aircraft owners transport non-critical patients for medical treatment as a public service.
- Law enforcement agencies conduct flights from the airport to help safeguard our community.
- Local media outlets use aircraft based at the airport to keep an eye on traffic conditions and make daily commuting safer and easier.
- The airport requires pilots to climb and turn in ways to help reduce noise in surrounding residential neighborhoods. Specialized acoustic equipment and flight tracking software helps the City of Hayward monitor compliance with noise abatement procedures.
- The City of Hayward is engaged in a continuous process of improving the airport to enhance safety, such as the installation of a localizer system that enables pilots to land with greater precision during inclement weather.